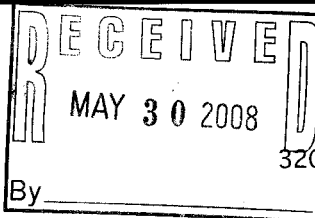




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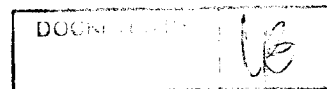
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We are offering support of APS' application to initiate a purchased power agreement with Arizona Solar One, LLC for power generated at the proposed Solana power plant.

The construction of Solana will be an important advancement for the Arizona economy. The construction of a solar facility, and the advancement of concentrated solar, will provide Arizona with additional technology-based jobs, construction based jobs and reliable, clean energy for consumers. We applaud this project for the prudence of tapping into Arizona's most abundant resource, especially at a time when conventional fuel sources are increasing in costs at a historic pace. Further, the zero emissions element of this project will assist the state in helping improve its air quality and help the state comply with emission standards.

We feel that the request for approval of the purchased power agreement will allow APS to proceed into this new market of renewables while offering the company some financial protection. Allowing APS to purchase a 30-year supply at a stable cost will provide an important hedge for consumers for what promises to be several years of energy price volatility.

Republicans for Environmental Protection supported the passage of the Renewable Energy Standard by the Corporation Commission and see this project as the fruitful result of that important rulemaking. The importance of moving forward with a project of this scale is paramount to helping establish the viability of this technology in Arizona's energy portfolio.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Regards,

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